DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY



US ARMY MILITARY POLICE SCHOOL FORT LEONARD WOOD, MISSOURI 65473-8926

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: USAMPS Policy 3.1, Range 4 (Night Infiltration Course), Range 19 (MK 19/M 249 Live Fire & Maneuver) Guidance.

1. REFERENCES.

- a. AR 385-3, 10 May 2003, Range Safety.
- b. FLW Reg 210-14, 16 June 2003, Ranges and Training Areas.
- 2. PURPOSE. To establish policies and procedures for Company and Battalion leaders presence and responsibilities at the Night Infiltration Course, Individual Tactical Training (ITT 4 & 6) during the conduct of overhead live-fire training and during the MK19/M-249 Live Fire & Maneuver range.

3. POLICY/PROCEDURES.

- a. Leaders will take all precautionary measures available to ensure the safe conduct of training requiring the use of live ammunition and ensure the proper amount of command emphasis is placed on this critical training event through the presence of command leadership at both the company and battalion level.
- b. Safety is a leader/chain of command responsibility. Although TSB, CTC and BMPTD personnel are on site to provide expertise and assistance, they are not in charge of and should never assume responsibility for the safety of our soldiers.
- c. The senior company leadership ("Top 3") will all be present IAW paragraph d below from the time the unit arrives on the range until the range is cleared, and will ensure all unit safety measures have been taken, to include:
- (1) Verifying that all cadre have been certified IAW published installation regulations and range SOPs.
- (2) Reviewing the Deliberate Risk Assessment for the range and signing a Range Briefing Statement Roster indicating that they understand and comply with the Risk Assessment worksheet and its control measures.
- (3) Completing and signing Precombat Inspections (PCI) and other appropriate checklists.

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- (4) Ensuring compliance with all established safety measures/standards.
- d. The presence requirement for the senior Company leadership is as follows:
- (1) Range 4, (ITT 4 & 6) Night Infiltration Course requires the Commander, Executive Officer and the First Sergeant. This is to increase the ratio of cadre to students and provide oversight in all areas of the range.
- (2) Range 19 (MK 19/ M 249 Live Fire & Maneuver) requires only the presence of the Commander or 1SG. This is due to the already increased instructor/student ratio of 1:1 during the live fire portion of the range and the presence requirement for the remainder of the FTX events.
- e. At least one member of the Battalion "Top Three" (Commander, Executive Officer, Command Sergeant Major) will also be present at both ranges to provide oversight during the conduct of live-fire training due to the inherent danger and greater potential for injury or death. This individual will observe the cadre rock drill and range safety brief to ensure all pre-execution checks are completed and unit personnel are prepared to execute the training. Additionally, he/she will oversee the conduct of the range to ensure that both the unit and range cadre have followed all safety measure outlined in the Deliberate Risk Assessment and Range Safety Checklist.
- f. Although not mandated by this policy memorandum, I highly encourage that one of the Battalion "Top Three" spot-check training at all ranges using live ammunition to ensure compliance with established safety standards and to emphasize the importance of safety.

4. PROPONENCY. The proponent of this School Policy is the USAMPS, Directorate of

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